

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request that the subject application including the claims be preliminarily amended as provided in the foregoing amendment prior to calculation of the filing fees.

The Title of the PCT application differs in some respects from that provided for the subject national stage application. Thus, out of an abundance of caution, Applicants are formally amending the Title from that provided in the PCT application. It should be noted that the Application Data Sheet and related papers filed with the subject application were prepared using the so amended title.

The specification also was amended to add a cross-noting paragraph.

Applicants also amended the Abstract above for clarity. As to the deletion of the reference numerals, if the number to be deleted was followed by punctuation, Applicants deleted the numeral, the word numeral proceeding the numeral and the punctuation mark and then added the word back with the punctuation mark. In addition to the foregoing amendment, Applicants also are enclosing herewith a copy of the Abstract on separate sheet of paper, which copy reflects incorporation of the amendments to the Abstract detailed above.

The claims were amended to eliminate the multiple dependent claim language.

It is respectfully submitted that the amendments do not introduce new matter. Thus, entry of the amendments into the subject application is respectfully requested.

It is respectfully submitted that the subject application is in a condition for allowance. Early and favorable action is requested.

Applicants believe that additional fees are not required for consideration of the within Preliminary Amendment. However, if for any reason a fee is required, a fee paid is inadequate

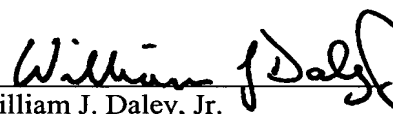
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or credit is owed for any excess fee paid, you are hereby authorized and requested to charge
Deposit Account No. **04-1105**.

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